



SUMTER COUNTY, FLORIDA

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY (COPCN) FOR ADVANCED AND BASIC LIFE SUPPORT TRANSPORT SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida (BOCC) determined there is a need for Advanced and Basic Life Support (ALS/BLS) Ambulance Transport Services within Sumter County; and

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2017, the BOCC entered into an agreement with LifeFleet Southeast, d/b/a/ American Medical Response (AMR) to provide Advanced and Basic Life Support Ambulance Transport Services for emergency and inter-facility services within Sumter County; and

WHEREAS, the University of Florida (UF) Health Central Florida desires a limited COPCN for American Ambulance to provide Ambulance Transport Services from UF Health The Villages® Hospital Brownwood Freestanding Emergency Department located at 3800 Meggison Road, The Villages, FL 32163; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC established minimum service levels for Ambulance Transport Services in Sumter County to include Specialty Care Transport (SCT) utilizing “Critical Care” Paramedic Training as well as additional training in the use of transport ventilators and additional infusion medication beyond the scope of a typical paramedic; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC has a transportation plan for involuntary transport for mental health evaluation in accordance with Florida Statutes § 394.462; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC desires to maintain a minimum service level for Ambulance Transport Services in Sumter County; and

WHEREAS, on September 22, 2020, the BOCC awarded a limited Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) to American Ambulance, for all Ambulance Transport Services originating from the UF Health The Villages® Hospital Brownwood Freestanding Emergency Department located at 3800 Meggison Road, The Villages, FL 32163 to include Critical Care Transport, Bariatric Ambulance Transport, Air Ambulance inter-facility coordination, and Baker Act services; and

WHEREAS, RG Ambulance Service, Inc. d/b/a American Ambulance has requested a new limited COPCN.

NOW, THEREFORE, there is hereby issued RG Ambulance Service, Inc. DBA American Ambulance the limited COPCN to operate ALS/BLS Transport (Ambulance) Services in Sumter County serving transports originating from UF Health The Villages® Hospital Brownwood Freestanding Emergency Department located at 3800 Meggison Road, The Villages, FL 32163 for twelve month commencing 00:00:01, October 1, 2021; expiring 23:59:59, September 30, 2022.

Issued this 21st day of September 2021, in Sumter County, Florida.

Attest:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SUMTER COUNTY

Caroline AlRestimawi
Deputy Clerk

Garry Breeden
Chairman